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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of
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Title: Adhesive Gel Compositions For Iontophoresis

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Honorable Commissioner of Patents
and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

After assigning a serial number to the above-captioned application and before calculating the fee, please undertake the following changes:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please rewrite Claims 3, 4 and 12 as follows:

3. (Amended) An adhesive gel composition for an iontophoresis according to Claim 1 wherein the acidic polymer is one or more selected from the group consisting of a polyacrylic acid, a methoxyethylene maleic anhydride copolymer, a methoxyethylene maleic acid copolymer, an isobutylene maleic anhydride copolymer, an isobutylene maleic acid copolymer, a carboxyvinyl polymer and carboxymethyl cellulose.

4. (Amended) An adhesive gel composition for an iontophoresis according to Claim 1 wherein the basic drug(s) is(are) in a free form.